

News Briefs

Vice commander farewell

A farewell party for Col. Thomas Berghoff, 52nd Fighter Wing vice commander, and his family takes place Monday at 6 p.m. for cocktails and 7 p.m. for dinner. The theme is "Welcome to Margaritaville." Dress is beach casual. Call Capt. Shandra Kotzun at 452-6796 for more information.

Explore the Eifel photo submission

The 52nd FW Public Affairs Office invites all wing members to submit their photos taken during Explore the Eifel for possible publication in the July 14 *Eifel Times*. Photos must depict people or places during ETE week. Shoot natural poses only – no "grip and grin" shots or subjects looking at the camera. The camera should be set to its highest resolution settings with the time stamp removed. Be sure to record the full name and rank of the subjects and describe the action, if necessary. The submission deadline is July 8. For more information, call the PA office at 452-5244. For more information about Explore the Eifel and areas to visit, check out www.spangdahlem.af.mil/exploreifel.

Open House help wanted

The 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office seeks English, German, French and Luxembourgesch-speaking helpers for the Spangdahlem AB Open House information booth July 1 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. E-mail pamela.anderson@spangdahlem.af.mil or call 452-6833 for details. For more information about the Open House, check out www.spangdahlem.af.mil/openhouse.

Squadron change of command

Lt. Col. Jeffrey Kromer relinquishes command of the 52nd Communications Squadron to Lt. Col. Kevin Bennett in a formal ceremony July 5 at 11 a.m. in Club Eifel. For more information, call Master Sgt. Amy Hogan at 452-6653 or Capt. Samuel Shearer at 452-6010.

Assignments requests on hold

Due to upcoming Program Budget Decision 720 authorization cuts, the Air Force will temporarily suspend consideration of Base of Preference, Voluntary Stabilized Base Assignment Program and Follow-on/Home-basing assignment requests until Aug. 20. However, personnel may continue to apply, and military personnel flights will update MilPDS to reflect application pending status.

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Explosive News!

You 'da Bomb!!

Read "EOD tech awarded Bronze Star for blasting enemy plans" on Page 5.



RESCON

ALPHA

0 DUIs in the Last 30 Days

Days since last DUI: **47**

Data Courtesy of the 52nd SFS

When going out, have a plan or call Airmen Against Drunk Driving at 06565-61-2233.

A new home ...



Photo by Airman Emily Moore

An F-86 Sabre finds a new home at the Spangdahlem Air Base main gate traffic circle June 17. The Sabre was moved from its location at the Bitburg High School Dec. 17, 2005. The aircraft was flown by pilots stationed at Bitburg Air Base and Spangdahlem AB during the mid- to late-1950s.

Sabers prepare for Open House

People encouraged to invite German friends

By Senior Airman Eydie Sakura
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office

The 2006 Spangdahlem Air Base Open House takes place July 1, and Sabers are encouraged to extend a personal invitation to their German neighbors.

This event is the first time in eight years Sabers have hosted an open house, and it is the first time since September 11, 2001, that the base is opening its doors to the local community.

"Word of mouth and a personal invitation is the best form of advertising," said Lt. Col. Angel Diaz, 52nd Operations Group deputy commander and Open House director. "The people you buy bread from; your neighbors downtown in Speicher, Binsfeld and all the communities should get a personal invite from Team Eifel members."

Base members should wear their uniforms when out and about at the Open House with their families, the colonel added.

"When you see a German friend, put your hand out and say, 'Welcome!' to them."

Having aircraft not usually seen here is also something wing members can get excited about. Colonel Diaz said the base will host 15 different aircraft, and there will be representation from all of U.S. Air Forces in Europe, including a Tornado

from the German Air Force.

"You may see these planes throughout your Air Force career, but for some people, especially children, it's a chance to see these aircraft up close," Colonel Diaz said.

The Open House is an opportunity to tell the base's story to the local population, and below are some tips to help create a smooth, fun-filled day:

Bringing a friend on base

If people intend to bring a non-Department of Defense Identification Card holder on base, they must enter through the contractor gate on B-50 and use the parking lot nearby.

After passing through the security checkpoints, shuttle busses will be available to transport people from the parking area to the Open House event area. Bus schedules will be posted at pick-up and drop-off points.

Pets

Pets are not allowed at the Open House, and it is recommended people leave them at home.

DoD members driving on base

All DoD ID card holders should enter through the main gate and follow signs along Perimeter Road to the affiliated parking area near the Aircraft Ramp. People parking in this area can walk to the Open House event area using the security checkpoint on the ramp. The



base shuttle will also be running extra busses from Spangdahlem AB housing areas to the Open House. Busses run approximately every hour.

Parking concerns

Parking space is limited, so it is recommended to share rides to the Open House and bring as few vehicles as possible. Arrive early and follow instructions from security personnel and parking lot volunteers.

For more information, call the Open House hotline at 452-5403 or 0656561-5403, or visit the Web site at www.spangdahlem.af.mil/openhouse. View the day's schedule of events on Page 2.

Stolen VA records: Airmen urged to remain vigilant

WASHINGTON (AFPN) -- Air Force officials are asking Airmen to stay extra vigilant in protecting their credit and themselves from identity theft in light of the recent theft of 26.5 million veteran's records from the home of a Department of Veterans Affairs employee in May.

The VA announced over the weekend that the stolen records might include personal information of people currently in the military, according to a VA news release.

Initial findings indicated the personal information on about 50,000 active duty, National Guard and Reserve Airmen may have been involved.

The VA has received no reports that the stolen data has been used for fraudulent purposes. However, the VA is asking all veterans to carefully monitor bank statements, credit card statements and any statements relating to recent financial transactions.

Several resources are available for people to go to for more information. The VA has set up a special Web site at www.firstgov.gov/veteransinfo and a toll-free telephone number, 800-FED-INFO or 800-333-4636, that feature up-to-date news and information on the data compromise. The site offers tips on how to check credit reports, how to guard against identity theft and whom to call when fraudulent activity is suspected.

The Air Force and Department of Defense are working closely with the VA to determine how many servicemembers may be affected. Airmen whose information has been compromised will be notified by the VA so they can take the appropriate steps.

Tips to monitor suspicious activity include:

- ♦ Closely monitor bank and credit card statements for fraudulent transactions.

- ♦ Place a 90-day fraud alert on your credit report, which tells creditors to contact you before opening any new accounts or making any changes to your existing accounts. This action may cause some delays if you are trying to obtain new credit.

- ♦ It is only necessary to contact one of three companies to place an

alert. That company is then required to contact the other two. The three companies are Equifax at www.equifax.com; Experian at www.experian.com; and TransUnion at www.transunion.com.

Once the fraud alert has been posted, you are entitled to free copies of your credit reports. Review these reports for inquiries from companies you haven't contacted or accounts you didn't open. The alert can be renewed after 90 days.

Airmen are advised to take the following steps if they discover fraudulent accounts or transactions:

- ♦ Contact the financial institution to close the fraudulent account(s) that have been tampered with.

- ♦ File a report with the local police department.

- ♦ Family Support Centers across the Air Force are prepared to assist anyone with questions regarding identity theft or similar financial concerns, Air Force officials said.

“... stolen records might include personal information of people currently in the military ...”

— According to a VA news release

The Open House's Security and Prohibited Items List

In order to ensure the Open House is a fun, safe event for everybody, we thank you for your cooperation with the following security measures.

All vehicles, personal items and people are subject to search upon entry or exit. Only diaper bags and purses are allowed.

- ♦ No firearms or other weapons;
- ♦ No knives, blades or sharp objects of any kind;
- ♦ No alcohol;
- ♦ No glass bottles or containers;
- ♦ No coolers or ice chests;
- ♦ No bicycles;
- ♦ No pets or animals;
- ♦ No backpacks or large bags;
- ♦ Strollers/Prams for children and wheelchairs for disabled people must be able to fold up in order to fit on the bus.

People are encouraged to know the difference between a suspicious package and an unattended item (which is anything that cannot be claimed by anyone in the area, is not secured, has no outward signs or cause of being a threat, and is not otherwise questionable).

If you see a "questionable" package, report it to the nearest security forces member or call 452-6666.

(Information courtesy of the 52nd Fighter Wing Antiterrorism Office)



Photo by Senior Airman Eydie Sakura

Heads up!

Tech. Sgt. Joseph Bates, 52nd Fighter Wing Protocol NCO, right, tosses hats to Airmen after the ribbon cutting and opening of the Host Nation Council desk Monday at the community center. The HNC desk is now open every Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and is near the Brick House. The desk is staffed by volunteer German civilians who work on base. They are available to answer questions about the local area, as well as help with language barriers. The HNC was founded Dec. 22, 2003, to promote and foster good German-American relations and maintain the U.S. presence in the Eifel region. The council provides support to Spangdahlem Air Base, the leadership, the mission and the people.

Operation On-Air

Play a dedication to your deployed loved on 105.1 FM.

E-mail song requests and your special messages to Det9.BGOR@spangdahlem.af.mil.



Spangdahlem Air Base Annual Drinking Water Quality Report

The 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron's Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight compiles a Consumer Confidence Report outlining the safety of base drinking water. This report is required by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Defense's Final Governing Standard-Germany.

For more information, a copy of the water report is available on the base Intranet at <http://intranet/52fw/52mdg/amds/Bioenvironmental/Files/EP.asp>. Copies of the report are also available at the bioenvironmental engineering flight office in Spangdahlem AB building 175.

2006 Open House Schedule

Time	Event/Location
10:00	60K Cargo loader demo/display area
10:00-11:30	"Change to Change" Band/main tent
10:15	Weapons load demo/bleachers
10:30	EOD Robot demo/EOD area
11:30	EOD Robot demo/EOD area
12:00	60K cargo loader/display area
12:00-13:30	"Acoustical Jam" Band/main tent
12:15	Weapons load demo/bleachers
12:30	EOD Robot demo/EOD area
13:00	F-16 fly-by/airfield
13:30	A-10 fly-by/airfield
14:00	C-17 fly-by/airfield
14:15	60K cargo loader/display area
14:30-16:30	U.S. Air Forces in Europe Jazz Band/tent stage
16:00	60K cargo loader/LRS
16:15	Weapons load demo/bleachers
16:30	EOD Robot demo/EOD area
17:00-18:00	Orlando Magic Cheerleaders Dance Group/tent stage
9:00-18:00	Fire Department ladder truck/display area
9:00-18:00	606th ACS HMMWV and five-ton truck/display area
9:00-18:00	Aircraft engines/Maintenance Area
9:00-18:00	Missile display/Maintenance Area
9:00-18:00	Aerospace Ground Equipment/Maintenance Area
9:00-18:00	Dental Bus/display area
9:00-18:00	Aircrew Life Support/display area
9:00-18:00	Combat Weather/display area
9:00-18:00	Security Forces/display area
9:00-18:00	Fuel Truck/display area
9:00-18:00	Aircraft static displays and their aircrews/display area



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Pamela Anderson

Top Saber Performer

Name: Staff Sgt. Vernon Matela Aglubat
Unit: 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron

Duty Title: NCOIC, Wing Analysis

Hometown: Union City, Calif.

Years in service: Seven

Mission success: Sergeant Aglubat supervises five Airmen and is responsible for identifying adverse maintenance trends and isolating potential problem areas for further investigation to the 52nd Maintenance Group and three Aircraft Maintenance Units. His section tracks, analyzes and presents all F-16 and A-10 maintenance data to aid senior leadership in assessing the health of Spangdahlem AB's fleet and making critical command decisions. His section is responsible for keeping USAFE head-

quarters informed of the wing's performance to ensure USAFE goals are met. His section recently managed the data used to predict the wing's capabilities to validate the 2006 fiscal year Flying Hour Program. Sergeant Aglubat streamlined more than 45 different information systems into one comprehensive, well database. Maintenance supervision can quickly see the status of their aircraft/equipment and make faster, better decisions.

Off-duty volunteerism and professional development pursuits: Sergeant Aglubat volunteers with the 52nd MOS booster club during various fundraising activities. He is 15 semester hours away from obtaining his Community College of the Air Force degree in Maintenance Production Management.

What do you do for fun? Extreme sports! I like parasailing, hang gliding, whatever ... I really want to try skydiving. Who says analysis is dull? I also enjoy spending time with friends to eat out or catch a movie.

What do you like most about being stationed here? Traveling opportunities are awesome, and, of course, there's the weather.

What's one thing you'd like to see changed or improved at Spangdahlem AB? Spang needs a BX index! I'm always going to the wrong store for the wrong thing. A swimming pool would be nice too.

Sabers come out on top with USAFE 2006 Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award

By Capt Jennifer Lovett
USAFE News Service

RAMSTEIN AIR BASE, Germany -- U.S. Air Forces in Europe announces its winners for the 2006 Chief of Staff Team Excellence Award.

The **52nd Fighter Wing F-16 Mission Planning Team** from Spangdahlem Air Base, Germany, and the 86th Maintenance Squadron Propeller LEAN Initiative Team from Ramstein Air Base, Germany, beat out the competition with their innovative employment of processes that made good use of available manpower and resources and reduced production time for their products.

"These two packages were among seven amazing packages across the command," said Janet Glick, USAFE Personnel Directorate Management analyst.

Spangdahlem's team was operating out of an ancient facility that was hampering mission preparation.

"The major obstacle to renovation was the compartmentalized layout of the vault which was optimized for ballistic missile survival but completely inappropriate for day-to-day operations of a modern fighter squadron," said **Maj. Don Kang, 52nd Operations Support Squadron**.

In less than eight months, they took a half-century old facility and transformed it into a state-of-the-art fighter operations facility.

"In addition, we decided to refurbish all the AV equipment and create training software on our own. The self-help solutions saved the Air Force more than \$160,000," said Major Kang.

Ramstein's team was inundated with C-130 propellers that are crucial to the war effort. But the old organization and set up of the maintenance facility was creating turn-time and shipping problems.

"We consulted with a firm that helps the manufacturing industry transform their production efforts into a 'pull' process know as LEAN," said Senior Master Sgt. Phillip Arnts, 86th Maintenance Squadron. "This improved process affected increased production and efficiency which resulted in us reducing our in-work time by 55 percent per propeller."

The LEAN time-saving measures also reduced manhours by 29,000 and saved the Air Force \$1.3 million annually in shipping costs. The shop is responsible for up to 110 C-130s in the Central Command area of responsibility that are disbursed to seven different locations made up of 17 different units at any one time.

"Congratulations to the members of both teams for a job well done and good luck in the Air Force-level competition," said Lt. Gen. Rod Bishop, USAFE vice commander.

The teams face Air Force competition in September.

Eifel Salutes

52nd Operations Group

Maj. Bartz Sykes, 22nd Fighter Squadron Instructor Pilot did magnificent work as project officer for the NATO Response Force Exercise "Steadfast Jaguar" in Cape Verde, Africa. The exercise certified NATO's new NRF, built on an AEF construct. There were about 7,000 participants from 10 nations.

52nd Maintenance Group

Kudos to **Tech. Sgt. Dave Thompson** for the awesome job of verifying and updating the duty status of over 350 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron personnel deployed to seven locations in the CENTAF AOR! **Staff Sgt. Eric Courtney** is living and breathing AFSO21 while TDY to Charleroi, Belgium. Sergeant Courtney led a team completing an A-10A 400-hour phase inspection while the aircraft received its service life extension depot maintenance. This intuitive work saves the 52nd MXG more than 6,000 man-hours and ensures the 81st Fighter Squadron remains the most lethal A-10 Warthog unit in the USAF! **Senior Airman Jacob Fedorka** is the Fabrication Flight's Eifel Salute this month. He led the paint team for the F-86 static display restoration project.

ect. The results of the F-86 project were the talk of the town!

52nd Medical Group

Grace under pressure ... That's **Staff Sgt. Chris Endres** when he spearheaded the stand-up of the Medical Control Center and coordinated the initial medical response for a no-notice USAFE EuroFlash exercise. It was a real tug of war getting all the dental records for the next day's appointments until **Staff Sgt. Akisha Liggins** and **Sabine Bettendorf** "pulled" together and helped the Dental Records and Reception element. Great Job ladies!! **Master Sgt. Brian Ludwig**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron structural section NCOIC, was the POC for the recent Special Children's Day held June 1 and the event was a huge success. Sixty-eight students and 42 teachers from St. Martin's School in Bitburg attended the event. There were more than 300 volunteers from throughout the wing. Thanks, Brian, for pulling off this Herculean event and bringing so much joy to the students of St. Martin's school!

Kudos to all; Team Eifel salutes you!

(Compiled by Tech. Sgt. Pamela Anderson,
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Pamela Anderson

Top Saber Team

Unit name: 52nd Medical Operations Squadron emergency services

Brief description of unit responsibilities: Emergency services is a flight of officers, NCO's and Airmen who work side by side to maintain 24/7 operations and keep the wing community safe and healthy. The two flight elements, emergency department and ambulance services, coordinate efforts to provide a full spectrum of services to wing leadership, units, troops and their families.

How does the team fit into the 52nd FW mission: The emergency department is the nerve center of the 52nd Medical Group and utilizes state-of-the-art technology to provide top-quality, around-the-clock urgent and emergent care to more than 7,500 patients. It is the Medical Group's only seven-day-a-week location to access healthcare. The ED coordinates communications, alarm systems and contingency plans. ED personnel work closely with the Deutsches Rotes Kreuz (German Red Cross) and local German hospitals to gather and distribute mission-critical health information to wing leadership. They are responsible for maintaining and testing wing-wide "Code Blue" and duress alarms as well as the Bitburg Annex medical campus' fire alarms. In the event of a natural disaster or mass casualty, the ED is the focal point for standing up the medical control center and working closely with 52nd MDG leadership to initiate all medical responses.

The ambulance services are the 52nd MDG's front-line team members -- responding to more than 130 in-flight and flightline emergencies each year, as well as all other medical emergencies on Spangdahlem AB. They are at the forefront of improving the quality and scope of emergency medical technician, hazardous materials and flightline response training, collaborating extensively with colleagues in the 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron and the 52nd Civil Engineering fire department. Ambulance services received a perfect score on their last Health Services Inspection and garnered special recognition for their direct contribution to the wing's "outstanding" rating on the 2005 Operational Readiness Inspection.

The men and women of emergency services stand ready, 24 hours a day, seven days a week to respond to emergencies, provide an around the clock point to access healthcare and to coordinate wing-wide medical contingency responses. Critical to the mission and focused on people, emergency services is the Top Saber Team.

AF selects master, tech sergeants

169 Sabers make the grade

Staff Reports

The 52nd Mission Support Group reported Spangdahlem Air Base had 169 new master and technical sergeants selected Thursday. The Air Force selected 4,613 of 23,230 eligible technical sergeants -- 63 from Spangdahlem AB -- for promotion to master sergeant and 6,904 of 41,186 eligible staff sergeants -- 106 from here -- for promotion to technical sergeant.

The Air Force-wide promotion rate to master sergeant is 19.86 percent (down 6.19 percent) and technical sergeant is 16.76 percent (down 4.25 percent).

The following names are of the selected noncommissioned officers from Spangdahlem AB and its geographically-separated units.

Master Sergeant 52nd Operations Group

Christopher Frost, 52nd Operations Support Squadron; **Christopher Highland**, 606th Air Control Squadron; and **Nathaniel Jenkins**, 23rd Fighter Squadron

52nd Maintenance Group

John Balok, 52nd Equipment Maintenance Squadron; **Brent Brady**, 52nd Component Maintenance Squadron; **Dennis Brown**, 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron; **Richard Bryant**, 52nd AMXS; **Jamie Cabral**, 52nd Maintenance Operations Squadron; **Patrick Carmichael**, 52nd CMS; **James Fonville**, 52nd CMS; **Irvin Gates**, 52nd EMS; **Dwayne Hill**, 52nd CMS; **Jeffrey Hite**, 52nd EMS; **Richard Howell**, 52nd MXG; **Keith Hudson**, 52nd EMS; **David Jackson**, 52nd EMS; **Robert Kendzior**, 52nd CMS; **Albert Knoblock**, 52nd CMS; **Karl Krokstrom**, 52nd CMS; **John Kotz Jr.**, 52nd AMXS; **Kevin Lane**, 52nd EMS; **Ernest Legrande**, 52nd MXG; **Seth Lininger**, 52nd AMXS; **Mark Mallonee**, 52nd MXG; **Kelly Mathews**, 52nd CMS; **Dana McCoy**, 52nd AMXS; **Jesse Merrill**, 52nd AMXS; **Timothy Merritt**, 52nd CMS; **Sean Murray**, 52nd AMXS; **Aaron Renn**, 52nd AMXS; **Henry Robles**, 52nd MOS; **David Russell**, 52nd EMS; **Kenneth Sanders**, 52nd AMXS; **Charles Simpson**, 52nd MXG; **Kyle Thomas**, 52nd MXG; **William Thomas IV**, 52nd EMS; **David Thompson**, 52nd AMXS; **Marcus Wells**, 52nd EMS; and **Charles Wudtee**, 52nd AMXS

52nd Mission Support Group

Lillian Allshouse, 52nd Mission Support Squadron; **Tony Boggs**, 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron; **Jeffrey Bricker**, 52nd CES; **John Brooks Jr.**, 52nd Communications Squadron; **Jonathan Brown**, 52nd CES; **Jeffrey Dalander**, 52nd CS; **Jason Elftmann**, 52nd CES; **Joell Encalada**, 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron; **Ronnie Evans Jr.**, 52nd CES; **James Jackson**, 52nd LRS; **Michael Kelley**, 52nd CES; **Michael Lemond**, 52nd LRS; **Francisco Robinson-Brown**, 52nd CES; **Sheldon Smith**, 52nd LRS; **Samantha Stoner**, 52nd LRS; **Olith Straughn**, 52nd Security Forces Squadron; and **Troy Waters**, 52nd CES

52nd Medical Group

Monica Desjardins, 52nd Aerospace Medicine Squadron; **Linda Gilkey**, 52nd Medical Support Squadron; and **Diana Jernigan**, 52nd Dental Squadron

52nd Fighter Wing

Matthew Desjardins, 52nd Comptroller Squadron; **Theresa Lex**, 52nd FW Safety Office; **Edward McClanahan**, 52nd FW Advanced Programs/CCJ; and **Patrick Stoner**, 52nd FW Plans, Programs and Inspections Office

38th Munitions Maintenance Group

Dale Beaty, 470th Air Base Squadron, NATO Air Base,

Geilenkirchen; **Stephanie Byck**, NATO E-3A Airborne Early Warning Component, NATO Air Base, Geilenkirchen; **Charles Caparas**, 470th ABS; **William Claborn**, 702nd Munitions Support Squadron, Buechel Air Base; **Joseph Fontenot**, 703rd Munitions Support Squadron; **David Ford**, NATO AWACS; **Michael Griffith**, 701st Munitions Support Squadron, Kleine Brogel Air Base, Belgium; **Mark Grim**, 701st MUNSS; **Darrell Howell**, Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Belgium; **Israel Jaeger**, 703rd MUNSS; **Joseph Kazimer**, 702nd MUNSS; **Joseph Kelly**, 470th ABS; **Timothy Miller**, 701st MUNSS; **James Nelson**, NATO AWACS; **Arvell Pickens**, 702nd MUNSS; **Craig Pearson**, 470th ABS; **Jason Raney**, Regional Headquarters Allied Forces, Northern Europe; **Joseph Smith**, 702nd MUNSS; **Jason Thompson**, NATO AWACS; **Andrew Upchurch**, NATO AWACS; **Christopher Wagers**, NATO AWACS; **Jordy Ward**, NATO AWACS; and **Scott Whittenburg**, NATO AWACS

726th Air Mobility Squadron

Anthony Cauthen, **Ricky Gohl**, and **Arturo Marlow Jr.**

Detachments, tenant units

Benjamin Ernst, 372nd Training Squadron, Detachment 922

Inbound to Spangdahlem AB

Bennie Bradley, 52nd CMS; **Gregg Brownlee**, 703rd MUNSS; **Shannon Burrier**, 52nd CS; **Jeffrey Carson**, 52nd AMXS; **John Cerrito**, NATO AWACS; **Christian Chambre**, 702nd MUNSS; **Jennifer Ewing**, 52nd MSS; **Jeremy Helms**, 52nd CMS; **Rex King**, 52nd CS; **Christopher Klement**, 52nd CMS; **Samuel Luke**, 52nd CES; **Alfredo Morales**, NATO AWACS; **Price Payton**, 52nd LRS; **Fentress Posey**, 52nd Medical Operations Squadron; **Sherman Siegler**, 606th ACS; **James Smith**, 52nd CS; **Scott Stanley**, NATO AWACS; **Jason Steege**, 52nd MDOS; **Janice Taylor**, Military Equal Opportunity Office; **Cynthia Wells**, 52nd LRS; and **Christopher Yager**, 52nd AMXS

Technical Sergeant 52nd Operations Group

Karen Cullen, 52nd OSS; **Robert Fletcher**, 52nd OSS; **Robert Gates III**, 606th ACS; **Timothy Kelso**, 23rd FS; **David Manery**, 606th ACS; **Mark Natividad**, 81st Fighter Squadron; **Jennifer Pontenila**, 606th ACS; and **James Trietch**, 606th ACS

52nd Maintenance Group

Michael Abundis, 52nd CMS; **Heath Autrey**, 52nd CMS; **Bret Barlow**, 52nd AMXS; **Richie Bill**, 52nd AMXS; **Brian Bock**, 52nd EMS; **Charles Burchess**, 52nd AMXS; **Jeremy Clarkson**, 52nd AMXS; **Christopher Cook**, 52nd AMXS; **Jackie Counts**, 52nd MOS; **Blaine Cox**, 52nd EMS; **Jason Dean**, 52nd EMS; **Paul Dubovik**, 52nd AMXS; **Michele Gates**, 52nd EMS; **Charles Gibson**, 52nd CMS; **Marcus Hankins**, 52nd EMS; **Daniel Hansen**, 52nd EMS; **Travis Hoogstraten**, 52nd AMXS; **Charles Hunt**, 52nd AMXS; **Ernest Jones**, 52nd AMXS; **Jared LeMar**, 52nd EMS; **Eric Lovelace**, 52nd CMS; **Noah Lujan**, 52nd AMXS; **Christopher Olson**, 52nd EMS; **Jason Passmore**, 52nd MOS; **Jason Patesel**, 52nd AMXS; **Bradley Pribe**, 52nd EMS; **Manuel Rios Jr.**, 52nd EMS; **Todd Rooney**, 52nd EMS; **Brian Sanderlin**, 52nd MXG; **Richard Santy**, 52nd AMXS; **Kevin Soukup**, 52nd AMXS; **Jeremy Stewart**, 52nd MXG; **Barry Timp**, 52nd CMS; **James Tschoepe**, 52nd EMS; **Benjamin Vanderpuy**, 52nd AMXS; and **Toni Ward**, 52nd AMXS

52nd Mission Support Group

Maria Adams, 52nd LRS; **Christopher Akin**, 52nd SFS; **Isaac Alatan**, 52nd CES; **Elizabeth Asher**, 52nd LRS; **Kevin Bauter**, 52nd CS; **Timothy Beers**, 52nd LRS; **Caleb Blake**, 52nd CS; **Jesse Boyd III**, 52nd MSS; **James Buchholz**, 52nd MSS;

Cecil Clark, 52nd CES; **Tamu Dunston**, 52nd LRS; **Emily Escobedo**, 52nd LRS; **DeJon Franklin**, 52nd LRS; **Robert Fowler**, 52nd CS; **Eric Fox**, 52nd CS; **Ramon Gunderson**, 52nd CES; **Virginia Hernandez-Farfan**, 52nd MSS; **Mandie Hileman**, 52nd MSS; **Robert Jones**, 52nd CS; **Kelly Keefer**, 52nd LRS; **Scott Kriseler**, 52nd LRS; **Everett Leseberg**, 52nd CES; **Shara Lewis**, 52nd LRS; **Chad Magadia**, 52nd CES; **Matthew McDonell**, 52nd CES; **Dustin Melton**, 52nd CES; **James Moore**, 52nd LRS; **Eric Nave**, 52nd LRS; **Janissa Phillips**, 52nd LRS; **Jai Rodriguez**, 52nd CES; **Marek Rusin**, 52nd LRS; **Justin Sande**, 52nd CS; **Patrick Saunders**, 52nd CES; **Stephen Scattergood**, 52nd MSS; **Roderick Schmitt**, 52nd CS; **Tiana Simms**, 52nd Services Squadron; **Jean Slayback**, 52nd SFS; **Michelle Tanner**, 52nd CS; **Michele Thornhill**, 52nd LRS; **Jose Torres**, 52nd Contracting Squadron; **Nathan Vantien**, 52nd CES; and **Brian Whelan**, 52nd CES

52nd Medical Group

Janice Ancona, 52nd MDOS; **Stacy Brittenham**, 52nd MDSS; **Jesus Cantu**, 52nd MDSS; **Samantha Dunn**, 52nd MDSS; **Terri Elftmann**, 52nd MDOS; **Jennifer Flyte**, 52nd MDSS; **Jeffrey Johnson**, 52nd MDOS; **Breah Misho**, 52nd AMDS; **Sarah Ortega-Russell**, 52nd MDOS; **Khalisha Savage**, 52nd MDOS; **Mark Tuazon**, 52nd MDOS; **Mandi Wichman**, 52nd AMDS; **Reginald Wilson**, 52nd MDOS; and **William Zachry**, 52nd AMDS

52nd Fighter Wing

Tiffany Gates, 52nd FW Public Affairs Office and **Altamese Laudor**, 52nd FW Transition Office

38th Munitions Maintenance Group

Brian Babusch, NATO AWACS; **Darren Banks**, 470th ABS; **Katja Banks**, NATO AWACS; **Donna Barnhill**, 701st MUNSS; **Derek Breaux**, 702nd MUNSS; **James Buckley Jr.**, NATO AWACS; **David Butler**, NATO AWACS; **David Castillo**, NATO AWACS; **Eric Cospers**, 702nd MUNSS; **Charles Curtiss**, NATO AWACS; **Lee Dale Jr.**, NATO AWACS; **Brent Eilert**, 701st MUNSS; **Bobby Haley**, NATO AWACS; **Amy Heath**, NATO AWACS; **David Holland**, 701st MUNSS; **Joshua Horr**, NATO AWACS; **Gregory Huston**, NATO AWACS; **John Kershaw Jr.**, 702nd MUNSS; **Maria Keville**, NATO AWACS; **Wesley Keville**, NATO AWACS; **Socrates Plantilla**, 470th ABS; **William Puterbaugh**, 701st MUNSS; **Jeffrey Sheldon**, 470th ABS; **Samuel Sullivan**, 701st MUNSS; **Diana Tamayo**, 702nd MUNSS; **Annette Thompson**, 701st MUNSS; **Rodney Walker**, 470th ABS; **Matthew Warren**, 701st MUNSS; and **Norman Wyndham**, NATO AWACS

726th Air Mobility Squadron

Victoria Delango and **Jasper Sana**

Detachments, tenant units

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Inbound to Spangdahlem AB

James Allegrezza, 703rd MUNSS; **Mark Bleha**, 52nd CPTS; **Todd Boren**, 52nd SFS; **Larry Cole**, 701st MUNSS; **Jason Coles**, 52nd LRS; **Kurt Copeland**, 703rd MUNSS; **Bobby Drayton**, 52nd SVS; **Stephanie Erskine**, 52nd SFS; **Anna Marie Forgit**, 52nd MOS; **Bruce Fuller Jr.**, 52nd SFS; **Robert Garner**, 52nd SFS; **Gregory Harvey**, 52nd CS; **Andy Infante**, 52nd EMS; **Smile Ludovice**, NATO AWACS; **Carl Ray Mahan**, 52nd OSS; **James Porter**, 701st MUNSS; **Ambrose Randolph**, 52nd AMDS; **Bobby Rozas**, NATO AWACS; **Jeffery Speelman**, 52nd CMS; **Jeremy Strange**, 52nd AMXS; **Eric Streeter**, 726th AMS; **Eric Sye**, 703rd MUNSS; **Arman Tahtakran**, 726th AMS; **Christopher Vanparys**; and **Richard Winterkorn**, 52nd SFS

(Compiled by 1st Lt. Shannon Collins, 52d Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office)

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Dining hall extends hours

The Mosel Hall Dining Facility is open from 1-5:30 a.m. Fridays and Saturdays with a limited night menu for a two-month trial.

Passport applications info

The Department of State has a backlog of passport applications due to the summer move season and influx of American travelers for the World Cup. Applicants should include their travel plans and antici-

pated departure date on their applications to ensure timely processing. Applicants who haven't received passports, should check the status of their applications 10 work days before their departure date.

Personal data check info

Airmen can check the Air Force Personnel Center Web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil> to see if their personal data was compromised in the Veterans Administration data theft. This is an additional effort on behalf of the Air Force to ensure affected Airmen are aware their information was compromised. For the latest information on this issue and for more information on how to protect against identity theft, visit <http://www.firstgov.gov>.

MyPay goes paperless

The delivery of paper copies of leave and earnings statements ended in June. Military members now have access to their pay and entitlements information online at <https://mypay.dfas.mil/mypay.aspx>. Members who need to request new pin numbers can visit the finance office in building 128 or call 452-6187 for more information.

Civilian employment info

Civilian employees can visit the My Biz and My Workplace Web sites for employment information. My Biz offers employees secure online access to benefits, award, bonus and personnel records information. My Workplace offers managers and supervisors human

resource information. For details, visit <http://ask.afpc.randolph.af.mil/> to access various links.

Quarterly awards luncheon

The Quarterly Awards luncheon for the second quarter of 2006 takes place July 27 at 11:30 a.m. in Club Eifel. Tickets are available through July 19 from unit first sergeants. Call Master Sgt. Lisa Friend at 452-6378 for details.

Medical clinics closed

52nd Medical Group clinics are closed July 28 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. for training. People requiring urgent care should visit the Bitburg Annex Hospital Emergency Room.

EOD tech awarded Bronze Star for blasting enemy plans

By Staff Sgt. Jennifer Lindsey
52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs

Tech. Sgt. Michael Kiley loves beating insurgents at their own game -- they set the bombs with harmful intent and he renders them useless to protect lives.

To his credit, the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight craftsman conducted more than 110 missions covering 68,000 square miles, including Kirkuk Air Base, Iraq, and five forward operating bases from September 2005 to January 2006. Within his 130 day deployment, the NCO destroyed more than 30 improvised explosive devices and 4,174 pounds of unexploded ordnance.

He also thwarted insurgent plans by rendering safe a dozen rockets and mortars aimed at the base, protecting the safety of more than 5,500 lives, wrote Master Sgt. Danton Humphries, 506th Air Expeditionary Group EOD operations NCOIC, in Sergeant Kiley's Letter of Evaluation. In addition, his nine-person EOD team maintained an injury-free record.

For his meritorious service in supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom, Sergeant Kiley was awarded the Bronze Star Medal May 10.

"We had no worries working with Sergeant Kiley," said Senior



Courtesy photo

Tech. Sgt. Michael Kiley photographs what was left of an improvised explosive device that was rigged to fragment during detonation in Iraq in autumn 2005. The 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal craftsman was recently awarded a Bronze Star Medal for conducting more than 110 EOD missions, and credited with protecting more than 5,500 lives, while supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom from September 2005 to January 2006.

Airman Matthew Guminiak, 52nd CES EOD journeyman who served with the NCO downrange. "He always ensured we worked as safely as possible while also operating quickly and efficiently. ... It was fun and gratifying, destroying these 'things' that could hurt others."

Air Expeditionary Force 7/8 was

also different from his past eight or so deployments, said Sergeant Kiley.

On his prior tours, the EOD craftsman spent most of his 16-18 hour days destroying insurgent weapons caches and rockets and mortars found by U.S. and Coalition forces. Today, disarming improvised explosive devices -- many of which

are now booby trapped with hidden additional explosives that detonate when people attempt to clear the known IED -- presented new dangers and constant challenges, he said.

One of the most difficult calls the NCO responded to involved an IED that exploded on a convoy. While working to ensure the area was safe from the threat of secondary explosions, he and his team found five more explosives set staggered on both sides of the road.

"Every call we get is different; every improvised explosive is different, and we must often improvise to get the job done. Working outside the base, providing Army support with the danger of being under fire by insurgents -- Sergeant Kiley definitely deserves this award," said Senior Master Sgt. David Ayers, 52nd CES EOD flight superintendent and a 2005 Bronze Star Medal recipient.

To ensure team safety before heading downrange, Sergeant Kiley shared the field knowledge he gained on his past deployments with his troops. He said he also shared his enjoyment of beating the insurgents at their own game by recording detailed information on every IED encountered so other EOD technicians and base officials

could assess proper plans of action for future operations.

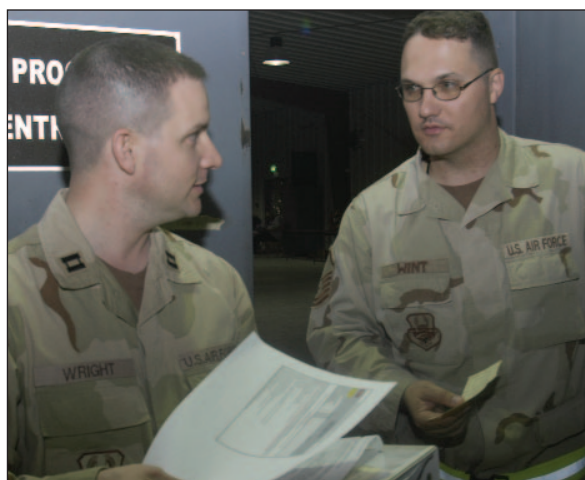
The 17-year veteran said he never anticipated his award or the recognition he received upon his return home.

"I think all EOD techs in all services, no matter what rank they are, should be awarded Bronze Stars. I'm ecstatic about the medal -- It's definitely the highlight of my military career," Sergeant Kiley said.



The Bronze Star Medal is awarded to servicemembers in every branch of the military who, while serving in any capacity with the U.S. Armed Forces on or after Dec. 7, 1941, distinguishes themselves by heroic or meritorious achievement or service, not involving participation in aerial flight, in connection with military operations against an armed enemy. Within the past 18 months, two members of the 52nd Civil Engineer Squadron Explosive Ordnance Disposal Flight have been awarded the medal.

(Information courtesy of Air Force News Service)



Photos by Capt. Thomas Crosson

Load 'em up

(Top) SOUTHWEST ASIA -- Passengers outprocessing bases in the CENTAF area of responsibility sort their baggage and present paperwork June 1 as they prepare for their journey home. The 386th Expeditionary Logistics Squadron, which includes Spangdahlem Air Base Sabers, processed and transported 161 outbound passengers and inprocessed 50 passengers that day. The ELRS accomplishes this 13-hour process at least once a week.

(Left) Capt. Timothy Wright, 386th ELRS Installation Deployment Officer, and Master Sgt. Terry Wint, 386th ELRS NCOIC of Logistics Plans, discuss their plan of attack for manifesting passengers for travel to a local airport during an outprocessing operation. Both Airmen are stationed at Spangdahlem AB with the 52nd Logistics Readiness Squadron.

Check it out ...



Photo by Maj. David Kurle

Capt. Thomas Kanewske, an A-10 pilot deployed to Bagram Airfield, Afghanistan, performs a walk-around inspection of an A-10 Thunderbolt II prior to taking off on a combat mission May 23. Captain Kanewske is deployed to Bagram from the 81st Fighter Squadron.

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Great to be back!
New wing CC shares thoughts on returning to Team Eifel

By Col. Darryl Roberson
52nd Fighter Wing commander

Men and women of the 52nd Fighter Wing, it is an honor and a privilege for me and my family to join Team Eifel once again. It has been 17 years since we were last here and it is great to be back! Cheryl and I look forward to getting to know you and your families during this demanding time in world history.

The mission of the wing has changed considerably since my F-4G Wild Weasel days here in the mid-1980’s. What this wing is asked to contribute to the U.S. and our allies is more important now than it has ever been. The capabilities we provide are significant, and I am excited to learn more about all of the great work that you are accomplishing on a daily basis.

What has not changed in 17 years is our incredible people, all of you, who make the mission happen. You are the most important part of this extraordinary combat machine. The demands on you and your families are huge, and I have no doubt they will continue. I salute you for serving with honor, dignity and courage.

The United States of America is a nation at war. It is our mission to project superior combat power, just as many of our wing members are doing right now. They are flying, fighting and win-

ning! Thank you for your hard work and success to date. To the family members of our deployed Airmen, we know this is an especially difficult time for you. Everyone appreciates what you also must endure in the service of others.

In addition to fighting a war, the Air Force is also in the process of transforming. We are adjusting to another changed environment brought about by the War on Terror. This is not new for the USAF since flexibility and adaptability are part of our legacy and heritage. Change is never easy, and it will take the talent, involvement and contributions from everyone for us to succeed. Duty, selflessness and sacrifice have always been the hallmarks of any military, and you are definitely carrying on that tradition.

- I would ask members of the 52nd FW to:
- Remember the Past -- our heritage, traditions and legacy;
 - Rule the Present -- it’s why we are here and what we get paid to do;
 - Reach for the Future -- by blazing a path of continuous improvement.
- I am confident Team Eifel will meet the challenges of the future, and I look forward to conquering them with you!

Think before you drink

SNCO select shares story of mistakes; loses more than stripe to DUI

By Tech. Sgt. L’Tanya Williams
52nd Mission Support Squadron

I was on top of the world. My career was coming to an end, and I was on my way. I could volunteer for a special duty or whatever. All I had to complete was the senior NCO academy by correspondence course.

Then it happened to me, a newly promoted senior NCO. One night, my life changed. My world turned grim after I visited the club.

Nothing out of the norm -- I pulled up to the bar and had a few cocktails on a Friday evening. It was OK because I had a plan. My plan was to take the shuttle bus home like I had always done. But on this night, my plan fell apart. I drove.

Yes it happened to me

I drove, and I don’t remember turning the key. I endangered everyone on the road that night. Me, a SNCO, the one who’s supposed to enforce the rules. This could have been the most deadly vehicle accident ever. I am very sorry for my actions, and by the grace of God I didn’t hit, hurt or kill anyone.

The world closed in on me as I sat in the security forces holding room waiting for my first sergeant. I remember thinking, “God, please have mercy on my soul! What has just happened? This can’t be real. It’s real alright, and I have destroyed my military life as I know it. This is not what I planned. This was not the way it was supposed to work.”

This was not the way I wanted to have an open ranks

inspection on a Saturday morning before 7 a.m. This was not the way I wanted to meet the wing commander, in his office, in blues. This was not the way I wanted to meet my squadron commander ... for the first time.

This was not the way I wanted to take time away from every squadron member for two days so they could help me hand out “Don’t Drink and Drive” flyers. This was not the way I wanted to start each morning, changing signs for three entry control points.

This was not the way I wanted to spend my tour, with suspended driving privileges for at least two years and planning my life around bus schedules. My freedom was gone. This was not the way I wanted to be thrust into the lime light. However, just like the saying goes, “Don’t do the crime if you can’t do the time.”

At a high cost

The guilt and shame was overwhelming. At my own hand, I destroyed all I cared about. I could not stay asleep at night or eat. Because of my actions, my military fate was in someone else’s hands. Wow, what a mess.

My stellar career was gone in one night with just five drinks and a DUI conviction. I accepted my Article 15 and reduction to technical sergeant. I picked myself up, brushed myself off and got back in the war. This is not the end of me. It’s a new beginning and an uphill climb that I’m determined to make.

Free advice

Now that I am paying the price, let me give you some free

(Editor’s note: Below is an e-mail received by the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office regarding the wing’s support at a recent memorial ceremony.)

On behalf of the family of Lt. Robert H. Sovern, I would like to thank all of the U.S. Air Force staff that took part in the special ceremony held in Luxembourg May 13. Our family was honored by your participation, recognition of Lieutenant Sovern’s sacrifice and your patriotism displayed. While we were there to honor Lt. Sovern, more importantly, we were there to honor all servicemen and women who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We would especially like to thank the wives of the A-10 pilots who were deployed to Afghanistan prior to the ceremony, but attended to extend their apology for the A-10s not being there. Thank you all for taking the time to attend and thank you all for the respect you accorded my father, Elmer Sovern (3rd Division veteran of World War II).

Semper Fi
-- Robert H. Sovern
(Grateful son of Elmer Sovern and nephew of Lieutenant Sovern)

“This was not the way I wanted to spend my tour ... planning my life around bus schedules.”

return to the car. Better yet, leave the car at home. Give your car keys to your wingman, take the shuttle and ensure you get on the bus or stay at a friends’ house. Also, take a night off from drinking and volunteer to be the designated driver.

I’m not saying anything that you haven’t been briefed on many times before and repeated to you time after time. Some of us are not getting it -- if the shoe fits, tie it up tight. Try abstinence or take better control of your alcohol use. The key is self-control and to not drink to the extreme.

Take it from me, a DUI is never planned, and I hope no one else gets one, but in the event it happens, no one is to blame but you. Get yourself prepared to pay for your actions no matter how great your career is.

It’s not the end of the world. I just wanted to keep it real and share what was on my mind. Learn from my mistake and keep giving the Air Force your best. Don’t drink and drive!



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Col. Darryl Roberson

Accessing Direct Line

The Direct Line program is a way to get answers to questions you still have after using your chain of command.

Direct Lines of general interest will be published in the *Eifel Times* and may be edited or paraphrased for brevity or clarity. Submit your Direct Line via:

- DirectLine@spangdahlem.af.mil
- Mailed to 52nd FW/PA, Unit 3680 Box 220, APO AE 09126
- To PA in building 23.
- Concerns may also be sent via fax to 452-5254.

Anonymous inputs are accepted. To receive a personal response you must include your name and phone number. Call the Eifel Times at 452-5244 for more information.

Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Goal	Flown	Delta
22FS	374	223	-9
23FS	245	189	-1
81FS	498	231	-41

*Delta is contract vs. sorties flown to date.

Through June 20

Courtesy of the 52nd Operations Support Squadron Plans and Scheduling Section

Editor's Note: Submit "Community" advertisements 10 days before the desired publication date to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil. Call the 52nd Fighter Wing Public Affairs Office Internal Information Section at 452-5244 for more information.

Freedom Fest events

The 52nd Services Squadron Gigantic Freedom Fest takes place July 4 from 9 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. at the Spangdahlem AB pavillions, next to the Eifel Lanes Bowling Center. Events are free to the Team Eifel community. Events are: Billy Lane autograph session, 4-6 p.m.; country and rock by the Ty Chandler Group, 5-6:30 p.m.; country by Thom Shepherd and His Band of Nashville Songwriters, 7 p.m.; and fireworks, 10:30 p.m.

Sure Start

The base elementary schools now accept Sure Start preschool program applications for children age 4 by Oct. 31, 2006, or older. Sure Start provides children opportunities to learn in small group, large group and individual activities. Priority is given to children whose sponsor's rank is E-1 to E-4 or GS-1 to GS-4, who live and work on an overseas military installation. Parents are required to actively participate in classroom activities 40-60 hours per year. Other qualifying factors also apply. Applications are available at the schools' main offices. Call Spangdahlem Elementary School at 452-6881 or Bitburg Elementary School at 452-9442 for more information.

Volunteer of the quarter

Nomination packages for the volunteer of the quarter awards are due Monday at noon to the Spangdahlem AB Family Support Center, in building 131, or the Bitburg Annex FSC, in building 2001. Packages should include information on volunteerism only from April to June 2006. Call Jessica Simpson at 452-9491 for details.

Baby playgroup

The Gentle Jungle Infant Playgroup meets the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 8-9 a.m., starting July 8 in Spangdahlem AB building 139. The group helps new mothers interact, bond and grow with their babies through music, stretching,



Photo by Barbara Triplett

So long, farewell

Ms. Ruth Morgan, right, celebrates her last day at Spangdahlem Elementary School with students June 14. Ms. Morgan has been the principal of SES for the last six years. The students say they will miss the daily soccer games with her at recess the most. She is headed to Sagmihra, Japan.

play and social interaction. Call 06562-931118 or e-mail gentle.jungleplaygroup@yahoo.com for details.

AAFES photo contest

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service Patriot POG Gift Certificate photo contest accepts entries through July 31. Contest submissions should depict the essence of Operations Enduring or Iraqi Freedom, or highlight activities in support of deployed troops. A dozen winning photos will be printed on downrange AAFES POGs. First through fourth-place winners also receive gift cards worth \$50-\$1,000. Visit www.AAFES.com for complete contest rules and information.

Vacation Bible school

Chaplain services vacation Bible school takes place July 10-14 from 9 a.m. to noon in Spangdahlem AB buildings 135 and 139. It is free for children ages 4 through sixth grade. This year's theme is "Fiesta: Where kids are fired up about Jesus!" VBS coordinators also seek volunteers in seventh grade and older to help in a variety of areas. Call the chapel at 452-6711 or e-mail brentjes@sdjzk@hotmail.com and briandwnr@yahoo.com for more information.

Employment class

A class on employment in the Eifel takes place most Mondays from 1-2 p.m. at the Bitburg Annex Family Support Center through June and at the Spangdahlem AB FSC, beginning in July. The class is for spouses who are new to the base and are interested in local job search assistance. Call Jessica Simpson at 452-9491 or e-mail jessicaLS@spangdahlem.af.mil for details.

Free child care

The next Give Parents a Break free child care date is July 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Spangdahlem AB Child Development Center. The program is funded by the Air Force Aid Society. Parents should request referrals for child care from their unit first sergeants by July 12 to meet registration deadlines.

Chess program

Adults and children age 6 and up can learn new strategies, play one-on-one games and have fun during the chess program at the Brick House from noon to 3 p.m. the first and third Saturday of each month.

Movies

The following movie listings are for today through June 29. Times and movies are subject to change. For more information, call 06565-61-9441 or 452-9441. For movie synopses, visit www.aafes.com/ems/default.asp.

Spangdahlem Skyline

Today

Over the Hedge (PG, 7 p.m.)

Benchwarmers (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

Saturday

Poseidon (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

Phat Girlz (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

X-Men 3: The Last Stand (PG-13, Midnight)

Sunday

Over the Hedge (4 p.m.)

Phat Girlz (7 p.m.)

Monday

Over the Hedge (7 p.m.)

Tuesday

Poseidon (7 p.m.)

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Bitburg Castle

Today

Take the Lead (PG-13, 7 p.m.)

Goal! The Dream Begins (PG-13, 9:30 p.m.)

Saturday

Ice Age 2: The Meltdown (PG, 7 p.m.)

Lucky Number Slevin (R, 9:30 p.m.)

Sunday

Ice Age 2: The Meltdown (4 p.m.)

Lucky Number Slevin (7 p.m.)

Closed Monday and Tuesday

Wednesday

Take the Lead (7 p.m.)

Thursday

Goal! The Dream Begins (7 p.m.)

Der Markt

Free classifieds policy and submission deadlines

Der Markt is for the personal resale of items by military and civilian employees and their families. Items such as advertisements for rental property won't be published due to funded paper restraints. Ads should be 35 words or less and customers are limited to no more than two ads per week. Ads must be typed or printed legibly and turned into the public affairs office, building 23, at least 10 days before the desired date of publication. Ads can also be e-mailed to publicity@spangdahlem.af.mil or sent via fax to 452-5254. Having ads in by deadline does not guarantee publication. Ads for services generating regular income will not be published. The ads must include the sponsor's name and telephone number. Ads not meeting these requirements, including those exceeding the designated word limits, will not be printed. The Eifel Times staff reserves the right to edit ads.

Sports Briefs

Bowling champion announced

Congratulations to the bowling team from the 726th AMS-A, for winning the 2006 Intramural Bowling Championship Commander's Cup Trophy. The team from the 52nd EMS won second place.

Powerlifting team at Spang

The 2006 U.S. Air Forces in Europe Championship takes place in July at Spangdahlem Air Base. People interested in joining the team should call Troy Saunders at 452-1045 or e-mail him at troy.saunders@spangdahlem.af.mil.

Youth home run derby

A youth home run derby is scheduled for July 4. Youth interested in playing or volunteering for the Family Member Program Flight and Youth Programs sponsored event, should call Mark Geairn at 452-6634.

One pitch softball

A one pitch softball tournament begins July 4 at 9 a.m. on Spangdahlem AB fields 1-2. Entry costs \$50 per team. Call Mark Warner at 452-6634 for more information.

Softball tournament in July

The USAFE Tune-Up Tournament takes place July 28-30 on Spangdahlem AB. The event is open to men's and women's teams. Registration costs \$250 per team. E-mail duane.haun@spangdahlem.af.mil or michael.lemond@spangdahlem.af.mil for details.

Hockey players needed

The 2006 USAFE Ice Hockey tournament champions, the Bitburg Bears varsity-level hockey team, need players for their upcoming season. The season runs October to April. For more information, call Master Sgts. Tom Poeschel at 452-5648 or Jeff Barr at 452-7410.

Meet Soccer Hall of Fame member

Meet National Soccer Hall of Fame member, Marcelo Balboa, July 14 at the Spangdahlem AB Youth Center from 2-3 p.m. and at the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center from 5-6 p.m., and get an autograph. Balboa was a defender for the U.S. Men's National Soccer Team throughout the '90s, earning 128 caps and scored 13 goals. People can participate in a chance to win an autographed soccer ball and other door prizes. For details, call Aslynn Rust at 452-6466.

Cheerleading camp

Kaiserslautern High School hosts the Universal Cheer Association Cheerleading Camp Sept. 1-3. The camp is open to all prospective high school cheerleaders. Participants will learn cheers, sideline chants, dances, partner stunts and safety techniques. For more information, call Jane Varalli at 489-7541 or e-mail her at jane.varalli@eu.dodea.edu.

Congratulations track members

Congratulations Spangdahlem AB track members who placed at the Oranienkampschule Track and Field meet June 18 in Dietz, Germany. The results are as follows: Joshua Ramos, placed first in the men's 1500-meter dash; Bryon Grays, placed second in the shot put; Tim Shearer, placed third in the 1500; Stephanie Hahn, placed second in the 1500; and Sarah Shearer, placed third in the 1500.



Rat race

(Top) Cyclists make their way around the Spangdahlem Air Base main gate traffic circle June 18 at the U.S. Forces in Europe Road Cycling race hosted by the Skelton Memorial Fitness Center. The men's race consisted of five laps around Perimeter Road, totaling 51.5 km. The women's tour was three laps, pedaling nearly 40 km.

(Right) Michelle Rosignol, 52nd Services Squadron Child Development Center program assistant, makes her way to the finish line. She finished fifth in the women's category.



Photos by Senior Airman Eydie Sakura

Runnin' for
the fun of
it ...
Binsfeld hosts
third annual event



Photos by Iris Reiff

A runner at the Second Annual American German Friendship Run last year in Binsfeld looks for encouragement from a little cheerleader. This year's event takes place July 9 in Binsfeld.



Participants at last year's race stretch before the start.

Third Annual American German Friendship Run July 9

Schedule of events:

- Bambini Run, 400-meter dash for children up to 6 years old, 9 a.m.
- 1.7 km children's run for up to age 14, 9:15 a.m.
- 5 km women's and men's run, 9:30 a.m.
- 5 km walking/Nordic walking, 9:35 a.m.
- 10 km women's and men's run, 10 a.m.
- The starting point is the sports area on Peter von Binsfeld Street
- Cash prizes will be awarded for first through third place for all events.

Registration and information:

Sabers and their families are encouraged and invited to attend Binsfeld's Third Annual American German Friendship Run event. To sign up, visit www.ortsge-meinde-beinseld.de; orts-gemeinde.binsfeld@t-online.de; or call 06575-610.

Soccer World Cup info

The 2006 Soccer World Cup takes place in 12 German cities through July 9. The potential for increased criminal activity and violence from soccer hooligans exists. Force protection officials recommend that U.S. Air Forces in Europe families attending World Cup events practice the following safety precautions.

Do not attempt to:

- resell tickets or record any portion of the game;
- bring pyrotechnics, weapons, glass containers, cans, alcoholic beverages on event premises;
- bring promotional, commercial, political or religious banners, signs or leaflets into the stadiums;
- display national or team apparel or paraphernalia in local establishments;
- travel alone or display large sums of cash;
- enter into political or national discussions; and
- bring your photo-identification card.

Do:

- immediately leave areas in which violent activity occurs or develops;
- use public transportation when possible; and
- maintain constant awareness of surroundings and report dangerous activity or demonstration information to local law enforcement agencies and the 52nd Fighter Wing Antiterrorism Office at 452-6120 or 452-6699.

Don't have a ticket?

Telekom in Trier is telecasting the World Cup games live on a video wall in the company courtyard, which can accommodate 600 guests. It's located near Trier's inner city "Kornmarkt." Admission is free. Food and drinks are available for purchase at the Trier Cultural Office organized event.



The Health and Wellness Center provides people with a way to relax! The HAWC has two relaxation and massage chairs to massage away the build-up of stress. Take a few moments to try it out ...

For more information on classes and additional services, visit the HAWC on the Intranet at intranet/52fw/52mdg/HAWC or call 452-6955.